

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

Allowed Claims 1 through 10 are pending, with Claims 1 and 4 being independent. Rejected Claims 11 through 16, the rejections of which are respectfully traversed, have been cancelled without prejudice.

The Official Action required submission of a substitute specification. This requirement is respectfully traversed. In response, Applicants respectfully note that said paper is already of record in the official file, as shown by the attached April 5, 2005 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office PAIR System. Applicants respectfully note that the three papers identified by "A" on the printout represent the clean copy of the substitute specification, while the paper identified by "B" on the printout represents the marked-up copy. Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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